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The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 16

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 54°; 8 p. m., 58°; maximum, 65°; minimum, 53°; mean, 59°.

Rainfall for the day, .05; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 1 95.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 14.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 19 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Local showers in the early morning, followed by clearing; light variable winds.

OUTLINES.

The Powers notify Greece that no further hostile action will be allowed in Crete. —— Wm. P. St. John, the free silver champion, is dead. —— The Treasury deficit for the first half of February is $8,858,500. —— The owners of the steamer Bermuda are trying to get her released on the ground that she is an English vessel. —— The abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty was under discussion in the Senate yesterday. —— At Tacoma, Wash., Cuban sympathizers trailed the Spanish flag in the mud and then burned it. —— The Sundry Civil Appropriation bill passed the House, and a bill to supply the National Guards of the various States with improved Springfield rifles.—Argument was heard in the United States Supreme Court in the case of the steamer Three Friends, charged with filibustering. ——Admiral Bunce's fleet off Charleston engaged in heavy gun practice yesterday. —— All persons convicted of speculating in scrip and coin will be banished from Havana. —— A Cuban will be executed at Havana to-day for rebellion and sedition. —— The trial of Edward C. Flanagan, who killed two women near Decatur, Georgia, commenced yesterday. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan at 1½ per cent., closing offered at 1½ 1½@2 per cent.; cotton steady—middling 7c; Southern flour was dull and easy—common to fair extra $3 30@3 50; good to choice $3 60@4 00; wheat—spot market was more active for export and weak; No. 2 red free on board 90⅜c; corn—spot moderately active and firmer; No. 2 28½c at elevator and 29½c afloat; rosin steady—strained common to good $1 70; spirits turpentine quiet at 29@29½c.

There is one school in Illinois which cannot keep a male teacher, because the large girls insist on kissing and hugging him, and there are too many of them.

On the authority of Andrew Carnegie, the New York *Advertiser* assures us that "the long looked for wave of prosperity is already in sight." Mr. Carnegie runs his own telescope.

Gen. Gomez says the talk of granting reforms to Cuba doesn't make any impression on Cubans whose memories run back to the last war with Spain and the broken promises then.

It is said the chewing gum manufacturers of this country import annually 4 000,000 pounds of the gum of the Sapola tree from Mexico, as the base of the gum our girls work their jaws on.

King Humbert, of Italy, is said to be the most heavily insured men in Europe. He carries $7,500,000. But he is one of the most democratic of kings and moves around among the people as if he wasn't afraid of them.

Dr. Hopkins, a Methodist minister of Atlanta, who last year retired from the Democratic party and went into the Republican party, has retired from the ministry. This shows that he has some sense of the fitness of things.

The Wilson *Times*, one of our best weekly exchanges, entered on its second year last week. The success it has met with is an evidence of the appreciation of the community in which it is published.

It is said that Gen. Weyler has been trying to get Gen Gomez to have a secret interview with him. But Gomez does not propose to take any chances of being slugged as Maceo was.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

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Discussing the proposition to change the day of inaugurating Presidents, the Springfield, Ill., *Republican* has been looking up the weather, and finds that out of the 27 inauguration days we have had 12 were pleasant, 12 stormy, and 3 unreported; 8 of the pleasant days were in the first 50 years, and 10 of the stormy days on the last 50. As the weather is changing so it is time to change the day.

Hon. Tom Watson declined to furnish a few chapters to Bryan's book because Bryan didn't recognize him during the campaign. But Tom should remember that frequently a corpse attracts more respectful attention and consideration than the live man.

A colored farmer in Pennsylvania hanged himself the other day because the bank in which he had deposited his earnings collapsed. He was seven feet tall and on account of the height of the rafters in his barn he had to bend his knees to hang himself.

The Pennsylvania National Guard will not attend the inauguration of Mr. McKinley. The State will not foot the bill—$30,000—the railroads can't tote 'em free and the boys don't want to foot the bill and foot it around Washington, too.

A family was recently discovered in Lebanon, Pa., which had subsisted on potatoes for six months. The discovery was made through the death of a little girl of the family, who died from convulsions caused by eating an apple.

During his Senatorial term Senator Peffer made 441 speeches, and has no remorse of conscience for the space he took up in the *Congressional Record*.

This is another billion dollar Congress; but that is the kind of Congresses we may expect for some years to come.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. W. SANDERS—This week only.
MASONIC—Meeting Wil. Lodge.
NOTICE—Cape Fear Lodge I. O. O. F.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

DR. GALLOWAY—Notice.
WANTED—Grocery clerk.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

There was no Police Court yesterday.

— The weather remains unsettled.

— United States revenue cutter *Morrill* arrived in port yesterday.

— The Board of Audit and Finance will meet in regular session this afternoon.

— A runaway on Market street yesterday morning was the cause of some excitement. Nobody hurt and no damage done.

— The receipts of cotton here yesterday were 142 bales, against 94 the corresponding days last year. The local market closed firm at 6¾c, the price on the same day last year having been 7⅝c.

— Deputy Sheriff Flynn yesterday arrested Charles Prude, colored, charged with stealing a watch. The watch was found on Prude's person, but Prude claims that he bought it for $12.50.

— The Marine Directory shows two arrivals for yesterday. The American schooner *Jacob M. Haskell*, Captain Hart, of 460 tons register, is consigned to Geo. Harriss, Son & Co. Paterson, Downing & Co. are consignees for the Russian barque *Guido*, Captain Blomqvist, from Barbadoes.

Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Associated Charities.

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Associated Charities was held yesterday at the office of the Association for the purpose of electing officers. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Rev. Robert Strange, D.D.
Vice President—Col. Roger Moore.
Treasurer—Mr. P. B. Manning.
Secretary—Miss Carrie A. Price.
Executive Committee—Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., Rev. W. L. Cunninggim, Col. Roger Moore and Mr. Jas. C. Stevenson.

A Prominent White Man Arrested.

Deputy Sheriff J. P. Flynn and Police Officer I. F. Huggins last night arrested and landed in jail a well known white man of this city, charged with robbing his father's safe of about $48 and a diamond pin. Only $12 and some odd cents was found on the prisoner's person.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Col. D. P. Heap, has arrived from New York city.

— Mr. F. B. Rice left for Kenansville yesterday morning.

— Mr. W. F. Murphy, of Wallace, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. Ed Daniels, of Fayetteville, spent Sunday in the city.

— Mr. H. W. Malloy, of Laurinburg, was registered here yesterday.

— Mr. James S. Worth was out of the city yesterday on a gunning trip.

— Mr. J. A. Westbrook, of Mount Olive, was one of yesterday's arrivals.

— Mr. G. McP. Batte, of Charlotte, was a hotel registration yesterday.

— Mr. R. T. Brinkley, of Bolton, was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

— Mr. G. J. Cherry, of Parmele, was among yesterday's hotel registrations.

— Rev. Mr. Townsend, of Scott's Hill, was among yesterday's visitors in the city.

— Mr. Williams, a prominent Pender county farmer, was on our streets yesterday.

— Mr. J. E. Royal, one of the leading merchants of Clinton, was here yesterday.

— Herbert McClammy, Esq., who has been sick for several days, was able to be out yesterday.

— Mr. Frederick Fosgate, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned last night to his home in Auburn, N. Y.

— Mr. J. W. Pharr, the clever representative of the Charlotte Clothing Manufacturing Company, was here yesterday.

— Capt. Killey C. Terry, of New Bedford, Mass., owner of a large sawmill plant at Stella, N. C., was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. R. K. Bryan, of the *Dispatch*, left yesterday to go to the bedside of his father who is seriously sick at his home in Scott's Hill.

OCEAN VIEW BEACH.

Meeting of Property Owners — Committee Appointed to Secure the Passage of a Stock Law—Change of Name Considered.

A meeting of the property owners of Ocean View Beach was held yesterday at noon in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce in MacRae building.

On motion of Mr. Jas. H. Chadbourn, Jr., Mr. T. M. Emerson was called to the chair and Mr. E. S. Tennent appointed secretary. Chairman Emerson then requested Mr. Chadbourn to state the object of the meeting, which Mr. Chadbourn did, stating that there had been some discussion as to incorporating the Beach, but he would suggest, instead of an incorporated town, with its various officers, that they simply have a stock law.

On motion, the chairman was instructed to appoint a committee of three to secure an act of the Legislature prohibiting stock from running at large on the Beach. Messrs. Jas. H. Chadbourn, Jr., Geo. Rountree and Sol. Bear were appointed by the chair as the committee.

After a lengthy discussion as to a change of name for the Beach, a motion was put and carried, authorizing the chairman to appoint a committee of three, to report at some subsequent meeting, to consider a change of name. A resolution was also adopted setting forth that it was the sense of a majority of those present that the name Ocean View Beach be continued. The chair appointed Rev. Robt. Strange, D. D., Col. F. W. Foster and Mr. S. A. Schloss, as the committee to consider a change of name.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the chairman.

Two Fire Alarms Sunday Morning.

In response to an alarm rung in from box 54, Twelfth and Market, Sunday morning at 8.35 o'clock, the department turned out and promptly extinguished a fire in two small houses on Princess street, between Eleventh and Twelfth. The fire was first detected in a one-story frame house, owned by Liddie Lewis, colored, and occupied in front as a store by Press. Smith, also colored. From the house the blaze was communicated to a house closely adjoining on the west, owned by Mr. W. J. Penny, and occupied by Lula Hines, colored. The damage to the first house was about $75, covered by insurance. The house owned by Mr. Penny suffered a damage of $33. It was not insured. The fire had its origin in the store part of the Liddie Louis' house, but how it caught is unknown.

The second alarm, turned in at 5.30 a. m., was on account of the cinders of the fire already described, having kindled into a small blaze. The department turned out again, but their services were not needed.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—119 bales cotton.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—91 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 51 bbls rosin, 70 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—8 casks spirits turpentine.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—85 casks spirits turpentine, 159 bbls rosin, 40 bbls tar.

Steamer Driver—9 bales cotton, 80 bbls tar.

Steamer Croesus—100 bbls rosin, 20 tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 149 bales; spirits turpentine, 89 casks; rosin, 310 bbls; tar, 240 bbls.

ALDERMAN JOHN MAUNDER DEAD.

At 9 O'Clock Yesterday Morning Alderman John Maunder Entered Into Rest in the 72d Year of His Age—Suitable Resolutions Passed By the Board of Aldermen Last Night Over the Sudden Death of Their Associate—The City Hall Draped in Mourning.

The chronicler of daily events, as they transpire, is forcibly reminded of the unexpectedness of that which he is called upon to narate, nor is it more palpable than in the daily necrology which he records. In the flush of health and the vigor of strength some members of the human family receive a summons, and they "go to their long home."

These reflections are suggested by the sudden death of Mr. John Maunder, a member of the Board of Aldermen from the Third ward. On a peaceful, quiet Sunday afternoon, not twenty-four hours preceding his death, he had reverently assisted to bear the body of a friend—as pall-bearer—to the grave, and 'ere another setting of the sun his lifeless body awaited the same service.

The community was painfully shocked yesterday morning upon learning of the death of Mr. John Maunder, one of Wilmington's truest citizens, which occurred at his residence on Eighth street, between Market and Dock. Sunday afternoon Mr. Maunder was a pall-bearer at the funeral of the late Mrs. Eliza Harriss Wilson, and that night he attended church apparently, with the exception of a slight pain in the side, in the best of health. Yesterday morning he arose as usual, and after eating breakfast prepared to go to his business at 8 o'clock. Before going, however, he entered the sitting room and took a seat. Suddenly he was taken ill and became semi-conscious. Dr. A. H. Harriss was immediately summoned, but about 9 o'clock he passed away, death being attributed to acute indigestion.

Mr. Maunder was a native of New York city, where he was born on March 7, 1835. In 1858 he went from New York to Raleigh, N. C., where he embarked in the marble business. After a stay of eight years in that city he came to Wilmington in 1861, and together with Mr. Jas. Walker, of this city, opened a marble yard on the southeast corner of Front and Walnut streets. Next he embarked in the marble business for himself, on Grace street between Front and Water.

In 1895 he was elected a member of the Board of Aldermen and on the 18th of April took the oath of office, which he faithfully fulfilled in every particular. He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Letitia Decker, of Staten Island. In 1876 he married Mrs. M. F. Croom, daughter of the late Jas. B. Orrell and sister of Capt. R. C. Orrell, both of this city. She and one son, Mr. John F. Maunder, for many years a member of the Board of Audit and Finance, are left to mourn his loss. The deceased was a member of Cape Fear Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., of which lodge he was a Past Grand and treasurer for about twenty-five years. This lodge will attend in a body his funeral, which will take place to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock at his late residence, No. 11 South Eighth street. Mr. Geo. Croom, step-son of the deceased, and wife were telegraphed the sad news and will arrive from Waycross, Fla., to-day.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEET AND PASS RESOLUTIONS.

As soon as it was known that Alderman John Maunder was no more the City Hall was draped in mourning, and his customary seat in the City Hall, while attending the Board's meetings, was also draped in black and white.

In response to a call from Mayor W. N. Harriss, the following Aldermen, Messrs. R. W. Hicks, W. H. Northrop, Jr., T. J. Gore, Daniel Cameron, T. D. Meares, W. E. Springer, W. C. Von-Glahn and A. J. Walker, met at the City Hall and passed suitable resolutions over the death of their associate.

Mayor Harriss called the Board to order and stated that he had called the meeting to notify the Board officially of the death of Alderman John Maunder, so that it might take some suitable action in regard to the same. He also stated that he had appointed Aldermen Northrop, Meares and Cameron to draft resolutions over the death of Alderman Maunder.

Alderman Northrop, on behalf of the committee, offered the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, This Board has heard with regret of the sudden death of John Maunder, alderman from the Third ward, and it is proper that we should express our sense of regret at the death of a worthy citizen; therefore be it

Resolved, That the clerk spread upon the records of this body this minute: In the death of John Maunder we feel that the city has lost one of her truest citizens; a man unassuming and retiring in his disposition, but firm in his conviction of right and unswervingly true to his ideas of duty. The records of a long life of probity and uprightness is a valuable heritage to his family and should be a comfort to them in their bereavement. As a member of this Board he was conservative in action, faithful to the interest of the city and progressive in his views.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, and that this Board attend the funeral in a body.

Resolved, That as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased the City Hall be draped in mourning for thirty days.

On motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Gore, the resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Alderman Springer suggested that the Mayor invite the Board of Audit and Finance to meet with the Board of Aldermen, and attend the funeral together.

Alderman Springer's suggestion was acted upon and acting Clerk W. M. Struthers instructed to send a letter to that effect to Mr. Wm. Calder, chairman of the Board of Audit and Finance.

The Board then adjourned.

The members of the Board will meet at the City Hall thirty minutes previous to the funeral.

THOSE RECENTLY PASSED AWAY,

And Who Now Rest in the City of the Dead—Funerals Sunday and Yesterday.

The remains of the late A. R. Mayer, Esq., who died in Philadelphia Thursday night last, arrived over the Atlantic Coast Line at 9.30 o'clock yesterday morning, accompanied by a nephew of the deceased, Mr. W. M. Weill, of Philadelphia.

The body was carried to Oakdale cemetery, where the interment was made, appropriate services being conducted, in the presence of numerous friends and relatives, by Rev. Dr. Mendelsohn. The floral tributes from the family were elaborate and beautiful. Following is the list of pall bearers: Messrs. F. Rheinstein, Solomon Bear, A. Shrier, I. L. Greenwald, William Goodman, J. Meyers.

The funeral services over the late Mrs. Caroline Greer were conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. A. Willis, at Grace M. E. church Sunday morning at 9.30 o'clock. The remains were borne thence to Bellevue cemetery and solemnly deposited in their last resting place. The pall-bearers were Col. Roger Moore, S. G. Hall, W. M. Poisson, W. S. Warrock, H. M. Foard and J. F. Post, Jr.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Eliza Harriss Wilson was held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence of Mr. Joseph H. Hanby, No. 720 Dock street. Rev. W. B. Oliver, pastor of the First Baptist church, conducted the service. From the house the remains were taken to Oakdale cemetery, where the interment took place. The pall-bearers were Dr. A. M. Baldwin and Mr. H. P. West (honorary), and Messrs. Jas. H. Taylor, W. H. Alderman, W. J. Penny, S. G. Hall, Asa Walker and John Maunder (active).

Death hath all season for its own
"The old must die, the young may die."
Little Johnnie Vann, son of Mr. W. K. Vann, of this city, but eight years of age, yielded his young life to the inexorable demands of death Saturday morning. The remains were interred Sunday afternoon in Bellevue cemetery. The funeral service, conducted by Rev. G. M. Tolson, was held at his father's residence, corner Second and Market streets. The pall bearers were Messrs. Geo. W. Britt, Walter Johnson, Mark Johnson and Pascal Newton.

OPERA HOUSE.

Primrose and West Minstrels To-morrow Night—La Loie Thursday Night.

Two of the "finest" are offered at the Opera House to-morrow and next night.

Primrose and West, the acknowledged leaders of all things superb in minstrelsy come to us to-morrow evening, after an absence of over four years, bringing their Colossal Double Company of "70 Kings of Cork," including the ever popular comedian George Wilson, "Waltz Me Again," the highest salaried minstrel artist in America and who is alone a whole minstrel show in himself. In all presenting the most gorgeous minstrel performance ever witnessed in our Opera House.

The big organization this season is composed of 70 performers. All leaders in their respective lines on the minstrel stage. Divided in two separate companies of 40 White and 30 genuine Colored Artists, two bands of music and last, but not least, the most superb programme ever attempted. The first edition of the "first part" presents minstrelsy as it was many years ago, wherein the entire colored company of thirty are in possession of the stage. The second edition shows that of the present day in all of its magnificence, with both the white and the colored—seventy in all—on the stage. That Chesterfield of interlocutors, Willim H. West, "monarch over all whom he surveys," with Geo. H. Primrose and Wilson on the "ends."

The Olio that follows this grand first part includes the latest foreign and American novelties, among which are Howe, Wall and Walter, "the musical kings," Jerome and Alexis in their great act entitled "The Frog and Lizzard," and William H. West's latest addition, and grand march and grouping, entitled "The Phantom Grenadiers."

The reserved seat sale is now on sale at Gerken's. Prices $1.00, 75c. and 50c. for top gallery.

LA LOIE THURSDAY NIGHT.

Never in the history of theatricals will there be such a maize of marvellous excitement as will be seen at the Opera House Thursday evening for one performance only. La Loie Fuller, the one, the great and only, the talk and rage of Paris, Berlin and New York. No doubt there are many who have read of her wonderful creations, but have never had the chance to see her wonderful performances. Her dances will be given here in precisely the same manner in regards to detail, etc., as given by her in all the larger cities of the world.

In connection with La Loie will be seen the wonder of the Nineteenth century, Eliason, in marvellous wonders of modern magic, and a company of unusual merit. The advance sale of seats, which opens this morning at Gerken's, should be a large one. Seats $1 50 and $1.00.

Forty-first Anniversary.

As previously announced the Howard Relief Fire Engine Company No. 1, will celebrate their forty-first anniversary to-morrow night at Adrian Hall. The committee of arrangements is composed of those clever fellows, Messrs. M. Schnibben (chairman), J. W. H. Fuchs, H. T. Duls, George Tiersken and Wm. Coleman.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

BILL INTRODUCED TO AMEND CHARTER OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF WILMINGTON.

To Tax Dogs—Providing Additional Costs of Divorce—"Gold Contract" Bill Special Order for Friday—Committee on Redistricting the State.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 15.—Bills introduced in the House—To prevent fast driving over bridges in Onslow county; to prohibit taking of clams in Brunswick county; to make fee for weighing cattle fifteen cents; to amend section 349, subdivision 2 of the Code so as to add words "or a domestic corporation none of whose officers can be found in the State after due diligence"; to repeal chapter 351 acts 1895, to repeal section 2835 of the Code; to give the State the Illinois law for the protection of inebriates; to make it a misdemeanor to fail to remove obstructions to passage of fish in streams within thirty days after notice from the Board of Agriculture; to amend section 2328 of the Code, so that number of trustees shall be 11 instead of 7; to protect sheep by taxing male dogs fifty cents and female dogs $1, no dogs to be allowed to live unless licensed, and making it misdemeanor to fail to list.

By Sutton, of New Hanover, to amend the charter of the Chamber of Commerce of Wilmington by giving it a perpetual charter and right to borrow money; to amend the Code by adding as an additional cause for divorce: "It either husband or wife shall be indicted and convicted of felony and imprisonment for life," this act to apply to cases now pending in courts; to amend section 2482 of the Code so as to add after the word "misdemeanor" the words "and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding $50 or imprisoned not more than 30 days;" to amend chapter 180, public laws of 1885, by inserting "and all felonies and slanders;" to provide that whenever any person is declared insane or an inebriate husband or wife shall be first entitled to guardianship of his or her property.

The bill forbidding "gold contracts" came up, and a motion to table was lost—yeas 40, nays 48. A motion by Lusk that the bill be made a special order for Friday was carried—yeas, 44, nays 43.

Mr. Hauser submitted a lengthy minority report on his three bills, providing for election of Railway Commissioners by the people, reduction of railway telegraph and telephone rates, and forbidding free passes. The majority report was unfavorable to these bills.

The Speaker announced the following special committee: On Redistricting the State into Congressional districts, Brower, Dockery, Alexander, Whitener, McCrary, Abernathy and Bryan.

Bills passed: To establish a stock law in part of White Oak township, Bladen county; to amend section 7, Acts 1893, by striking out the work "railway," line six.

Another Death at Mr. T. C. Craft's.

The home of Mr. T. C. Craft has been visited with a double measure of sorrow. Only last Saturday there appeared in these columns a notice of the death of his wife's mother, Mrs. Caroline Greer, and this morning it is the writer's duty to record the death of Mr. Craft's own mother, Mrs. Mary Charles Craft, which occurred early Sunday morning. It was a sadly curious fact that both the grandparents of Mr. Craft's children lay dead in the house at the same time.

Mrs. Craft was born near Jacksonville, N. C., on the 8th of January, 1819. In 1845 she came to this city and has been living here since. Her husband, Mr. Thomas C. Craft, who was one of the leading merchants of Wilmington before the late war, died thirty-three years ago. Their union was blessed with eleven children, four of whom survive them, Messrs. Thomas C., Archibald C., and William C. Craft of this city, and Mrs. L. R. Matthews of Duplin county.

For more than forty years the deceased lady had been a communicant of the First Baptist Church. And that she was possessed of a very high degree of Christian fortitude and hopefulness was shown by the uniform patience with which she bore her sufferings. These were very great, as she had been comparatively helpless for thirty-eight years and a large part of that time in great pain. She passed away at the age of seventy-eight years at the old homestead, where she had lived during the past forty-nine years.

The funeral services were conducted from the First Baptist Church yesterday afternoon by Rev. W. B. Oliver, assisted by Rev. R. A. Willis, of Grace M. E. Church. The interment was made at Oakdale cemetery. The list of pall-bearers follows: Messrs. Owen Fennell, Wm. A. French, S. G. Hall, Jno. A. Everett, Jas. H. Taylor, Dr. A. M. Baldwin.

Anniversary Celebration.

Linden Grove No. 3 United Ancient Order of Druids will celebrate their third anniversary on the 25th of this month. Mr. Godfrey Hart will deliver the address on that occasion. Messrs. Geo. Zeigler, A. J. Marshall and J. Wannamaker are the committee of arrangements. The Order is in a flourishing condition and the benefit derived from it has been a blessing to many of its members.

Death of Two of Roseboro's Citizens.

A correspondent writes the STAR as follows:

Rev. D. S. Bullard, an aged Baptist minister of Roseboro, N. C., and father of P. M. Bullard, a prominent merchant of Greensboro, N. C., died of heart trouble at Garland, N. C., Sunday evening, the 14th inst., after having preached his regular sermon at 11 a. m. His remains will be taken to the old homestead, near Roseboro, for interment to-morrow.

Mr. Jas. W. White, a prominent citizen of Roseboro, died suddenly at 4 p. m. Sunday, the 14th inst., at his mother-in-law's, Mrs. W. J. Parker, of Cypress Creek, N. C. His remains will be taken to Roseboro for interment to-morrow.

RALEIGH NEWS BUDGET

GOVERNOR RUSSELL MAY NOT ATTEND M'KINLEY'S INAUGURATION.

The Governor an Earnest Advocate of Col. Boyd for a Cabinet Position—Senator Pritchard Better—Extra Session of the Legislature Talked About—Manufacturers Want Cigarette Tax Bill Withdrawn—To Prevent Ladies from Wearing Hats in Theatres.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 15.

It was thought that Governor Russell and his entire staff would attend the inauguration at Washington next month, but the Chief Executive has about come to the conclusion that he cannot leave the capital at that time. His decision is not final, however, and there is a possibility of his attending the inaugural ceremonies, but if he does not, General Cowles, Maj. Hayes and the Governor's staff will represent the State.

The talk of Governor Russell going to Canton is twaddle. The Governor has never contemplated a trip to the President's home. He is an earnest supporter of Col. Boyd for a Cabinet portfolio and has given him his hearty support.

Senator Pritchard is much better, so advices from Washington yesterday stated.

The sale of seats to Nat Goodwin's performance, who appears here Wednesday night, is something remarkable. The receipts will exceed $1,000.

Representative Morton, of Richmond county, who introduced the bill to tax cigarettes fifteen cents per package, has been solicited by representatives of the cigarette trust to withdraw the bill. It would seem that the manufacturers are afraid for the bill to come before the Legislature.

A bill is being prepared to prevent ladies from wearing hats while occupying seats in a theatre. The noble representative who introduces the bill will receive the plaudits of his countryman.

Already talk is heard of an extra session of the Legislature. Several members think it impossible to transact necessary business and act upon the bills that require attention during the remaining days. The Legislature is authorized to continue in session sixty days and the members draw pay for that length of time. The present term will expire March 6th. If the session is prolonged and its dollars to cents that it will not be, the patriots will serve their State without pay.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Governor Russell granted five pardons and one commutation during his first month's administration. W. D. Solomon, of Cumberland, serving three years' sentence and J. W. Wolard, of Beaufort, serving two years' term for abandonment, were among the number.

A large number of people, interested in the annulment of the lease of the North Carolina road, which comes up in the House to-morrow, arrived this evening. The Yarboro is crowded with prominent people favoring the lease. Ex-Governor Carr is here. Both sides are claiming a victory. No one can speak with certainty as to the result.

Y. M. C. A.

Anniversary Exercises and Annual Concert to Take Place To-night.

The anniversary exercises and annual concert of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held at the Association's building to-night. The following will be the order of the exercises:

Devotional Exercises—Rev. R. A. Willis.

President's Report—Mr. A. J. Howell, Jr.

Treasurer's Report—Mr. P. Heinsberger, Jr.

Address, "Behind the Scenes"—Mr. Thos. C. Diggs, general secretary.

After the foregoing exercises the following musical programme will be rendered, the participants of which are among Wilmington's "finest":

Violin Duet—Miss Norma Foster and Master Frank St. John.
Tenor Solo—Mr. C. H. Cooper.
Piano Solo—Master Jas. Craft.
Soprano Solo—Miss Carrie White.
Recitation—Mr. Dan'l R. Foster.
Soprano Solo—Mrs. Watters.
Violin Solo—Master Frank St. John.
Vocal Duet—Miss Carrie White and Mr. C. H. Cooper.
Quartette (instrumental)—Master Frank St. John, first violin; Miss Louise Corbett, second violin; Miss Norma Foster, viola; Miss Bessie Burtt, violoncello.

There will be no charge for admission, but on the contrary the Association throws wide its doors and invites all its friends to come in.

COL. JAS. E. BOYD.

Senator Pritchard Prevented by Sickness From Visiting President McKinley in His Interest.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Col. Jas. E. Boyd, mentioned in connection with a Cabinet portfolio, left here yesterday. Senator Pritchard was to have visited President McKinley in his interest, but a severe attack of sickness has prevented him. His medical attendant, Dr. Walter C. Murphy, says the Senator will be able within the next ten days to visit Canton.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

— The Board of Aldermen will meet in adjourned session to night at 8 o'clock.

DIED.

CRAFT—In this city, Sunday morning, the 14th inst., Mrs. MARY CHARLES CRAFT, relict of the late Thomas Charles Craft, aged 78 years, 1 month and 6 days.

Interment at Oakdale Monday afternoon 15th inst.

MAUNDER—In this city, Monday morning, February 15, at 9 o'clock, JOHN MAUNDER, in the 72nd year of his age.

Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday) morning at 10 o'clock, at his late residence, No. 11 South Eighth street.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ST. JOHN'S HALL, Feb. 15, 1897.

Wilmington Lodge No. 319, A. F. & A. M.

REGULAR MONTHLY COMMUNICATION this (Tuesday) night at 7.30 o'clock. Visiting brethren welcome.
feb 16 1t THOS. F. BAGLEY, Secretary.

Hall of Cape Fear Lodge No. 21 I. O. O. F.

BROTHERS—YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIfied to meet at Lodge room Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock to attend the funeral of our late Brother, John Maunder, Past Grand, at 10 o'clock, at his late residence No. 11 South Eighth street. Members of sister Lodges and visiting brothers are invited to attend. By order of C. D. Jacobs, N. G.
feb 16 1t JAMES F. RILEY, Secretary.

This Week Only,

Molasses,
Mixed Nuts,
Canned Peas,
Springfield Hams.

A special price on above that will save you money, and lots of other things low down. Ask for prices.

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Thursday Evening, February 18th.

WM. A. BRADY

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Assisted by a company of unusual excellence.

Seats on sale at Gerken's Tuesday.
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Wednesday, February 17th, 1897.

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Grand Minstrel Carnival.

70----Colossal Double Company----70

All Sweet Singers and Fun Makers.

Minstrelsy of 60 years ago, and of the present time. Prices—$1.00, 75c and 50c for Gallery. feb 14 3t

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140	Barrels	Molasses.
25	"	Syrup.
740	"	Flour.
100	"	Star Lye.
100	"	Mendleson Lye.
10	Bags	Black Eye Peas.
115	Barrels	R. R. Potatoes.

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Foreclosure Sale

BY VIRTUE OF THE PROVISION OF TWO Deeds of Mortgage made by M. J. Bremer and wife to the Wilmington Homestead and Loan Association, and duly registered in Book No. 14, pages 97, and Book No. 16, page 294 of the records of New Hanover county, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder at public auction, for cash, at the Court House door, on Monday, the 1st day of March, 1897, at 12 o'clock m., the following described property in the city of Wilmington: Beginning in the northern line of Church street 100 feet west of the west line of Third street, runs thence westwardly with said line of Church street 50 feet, thence north parallel with Third street 98 feet, thence east parallel with Church street 50 feet, thence south parallel with Third street to the beginning, being part of lot 6, block 101.

F. H. MANNING,
JOHN D. BELLAMY,
feb 9 30t Attorneys.

NOTICE.

Wanted, Furs of All Kinds.

Highest New York market prices.
Express and freight charges paid.
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Quotations furnished upon request.

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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEB. 16, 1897

WHEN THERE IS MONEY ENOUGH

We published an article a few days ago in which we contended that the one of the principal causes of the low prices of farm products, the industrial depression, the low wages, the great numbers of idle workmen, and the great army of tramps, was the scarcity of money. We need not be told that money is not scarce, that there are millions of dollars lying idle in the Eastern banks, from which it can be procured with the right kind of security, provided the man who wants it doesn't hail from one of the free silver States.

It may be and is true that there are millions of dollars lying idle in Eastern bank vaults, but it might as well not be in existence as in those vaults where it is controlled as it is now. Money that is locked up is no money at all and of no more real value to the country than the paper it is printed on or the crude metal from which it is coined. Thus there may be hundreds of idle millions and money yet be scarce. These millions may show up in the bank statements and Treasury reports, but these are the only places where they do show up. Money is really plentiful only when it circulates freely and it circulates freely only when it is plentiful.

Under our present monopolistic bank system, with our gold locked up for speculative purposes and our silver kept out of circulation to discredit it, there is no certainty about the volume of currency; it may be expanded or contracted at the volition of those who control it, regardless of the country or the demands of business, they having regard only to their own interests, which may be furthered by the expansion or contraction. It sometimes happens that at the very time when money is most needed contraction comes and causes the ruin of thousands.

The financial statements for the past week note a contraction of several millions, when it is more and not less money than is needed. With an alleged *per capita* for the country at large of about $22, there is not in verity a *bona fide per capita* circulation of more than $8, and in the South and West not more than $3. And yet it is upon the South and the West this country must depend for its prosperity, for it is these that furnish the bulk of our exportable products, and they furnish the principle markets too for the manufacturers of the East, whose prosperity is largely dependent upon these two great agricultural sections.

It is a blundering policy that keeps money scarce for fear it will be cheap. The cheaper it is the better, and the nearer it comes to filling the office of money, to carrying out the purpose of its creation. It is the life blood of commerce, the food of business, as necessary to business as food is to mortals. A man might as well expect to grow fat, be healthy and vigorous on scancity fare, as to see business flourish and prosperity come when there is a scant supply of money and one dollar must suffice in place of the three that are needed. No one of any sense will dispute this.

The New York *Times* is a gold standard paper of the gilt-edge variety, but it unconsciously perhaps made a strong plea for an abundant currency when it uttered the following:

"The currents of trade, set in motion by new investments, will stir business into life, as the rain upon parched land makes vegetation stir and shoot up. There will be more money paid out for wages every week, and this in turn will increase consumption and augment demand. Raw materials will be called for in greater volume, and the output of manufacturers will increase. This new activity will swell the earnings of railway and industrial shares."

True, every word of it, and an admission of the happy effects of an abundance of money put into active circulation. But how are we going to have that when a handful of men can control the volume of money, loan it at low rate of interest in one section, charge a very high rate in another and will not send it into some sections at any rate of interest? High interest rates keep money scarce, no matter how abundant it may be behind the counters of the lenders, just as the high price of clothing and of food reduces the amount of clothing worn or of food consumed, for legitimate business enterprises in these days of business rivalry and competition cannot afford to pay high rates of interest. But this is what the business enterprises of the South and West have to do if they depend upon borrowed capital, and this is what the farmers of the South and West have to do if they find it necessary to borrow money, and this is one of the conditions that is crippling this country to-day and has been crippling it for years.

We remarked the other day when writing upon this subject that if the volume of money were trebled there would be such a stimulus given to enterprise and such a revival of business within twelve months that we would soon forget that we had ever scuffled with hard times. In speaking on the same line the New York *Journal* a couple days ago quoted the following from Hume:

"In every kingdom into which money begins to flow in greater abundance than formerly everything takes on a new face; labor and industry gain life, the merchant becomes enterprising, the manufacturer more diligent and skillful; even the farmer follows his plough with greater alacrity and attention."

This is the testimony not only of one of England's greatest thinkers and writers, but is supported by the observation of every man who has given any attention to this subject, and has been abundantly illustrated in our own country, especially during the four years of the great civil war and the few years following, before the contraction of the volume of currency began, when money was more abundant than it ever was before or has been since. We might as well dread the danger of too much food as of too much money.

MINOR MENTION.

The Trusts have grown so powerful in this country that they defy law and have a thorough contempt for public sentiment. For some time the Sugar Trust has been the subject of investigation in New York, where a committee of the Legislature is trying to find out something about its methods and the profits it makes. It has learned a few things, one of which is that Mr. Havemeyer, President of the Trust, fixes the price of sugar at his own sweet will, and if the American people want to have sugar in their coffee, or sugar for anything else, they must pay the price he puts on it. In this matter Mr. Havemeyer is supreme, and by these methods the Trust has been paying dividends on a capitalized stock of $75,000,000 when there are not really more than $10,000,000 at the outside invested in the business. If there were only a few Trusts it wouldn't be such a serious matter, or if they were content with reasonable dividends on the amount of money they have actually invested in their business, but there are Trusts on everything, over 200 of them, and every one of them has watered its stock until it amounts to many times as much as the capital invested. But few of them have a *bona fide* capital of more than $5,000,000, while their capitalized stocks range from $6,000,000 to $100,000,000, on which they manipulate to pay dividends. The Chicago *Record*, a non partisan paper, which has given some investigation to this subject, finds over 200 Trusts, and presents the following figures showing the capitalization of a few of the leading ones:

Sugar Trust	$ 75 000 000
Coal Trust	85,000 000
Cotton Seed Oil Trust	20 000 000
Wall Paper Trust	20 000 000
Lead Trust	30,000 000
Rubber Trust	50,000 000
Linseed Oil Trust	18 000 000
Match Trust	8 000 000
School Furniture Trust	15,000 000
Type Trust	6,000 000
Dressed Beef and Provision Trust	100,000 000
Condensed Milk Trust	15,000 000
Straw Board Trust	6 000 000
Leather Trust	125,000 000

In the aggregate the Trusts represent a capitalized stock of about $2,000,000,000, while they do not employ a working capital of $200,000,000 all told, but they fix their prices to pay dividends on the $2,000,000,000 and the American people have to submit to the outrageous extortion. Nine-tenths of these Trusts are made possible and protected in their extortionate demands by the protective tariff that prevents foreign competition and gives them control of the home market.

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This paper is not taking any stock in Mr. Swinson, who has been bounced from the position of enrolling clerk of the State Senate, but it is a case of much ado about the colored brother rather than of extravagance, the alleged cause of his removal. Mr. Swinson objected to the appointment of negro clerks under him, and this led to the rucus that finally resulted in his being bounced, he having admitted that he removed a negro "laborer" and gave the place to his (Swinson's) son, and also that it cost in his office about $1,500 to do $6 worth of work. This gave them the excuse which they wanted to get rid of him and punish him for kicking against the appointment of negro clerks in his office. The nepotic transaction of turning out one of his colored allies to make a place for his son doesn't tell well for Mr. Swinson, but the probabilities are that the Senate is more responsible for the amount of money it took to do $6 worth of work than Swinson, who had the force on his roll and of course had to pay them. But Mr. Swinson isn't done kicking yet, for he refuses to recognize their right to bounce him, has locked up his papers and refuses to surrender them. This riled Lieut. Gov. Reynolds, who was about to open the desks with a jimmy when he reconsidered and postponed the jimmy performance. We suppose the kicking Swinson will finally have to come to taw, but it is an interesting case of much ado about a couple of colored sovereigns who had been given places at Swinson's end of the pie counter.

—— Some day it will dawn upon the New England mind that her prosperity is dependent upon good times at the South and West. She will also learn that it does not pay to allow Great Britain to get our cotton and breadstuffs at half price, while the interest on our debt to her is paid in dollars with double their par value measured in commodities. —*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

Humors, pimples and boils are very annoying. They quickly disappear when the blood is purified by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Charlotte *News:* Mrs. Elizabeth Roberts died at her home in Crab Orchard township Friday night.

— Goldsboro *Argus:* We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Betsy Ivey Herring, wife of Mr. Benjamin I. Herring, of New Hope township. Mrs. Herring was 73 years old.

— Newbern *Journal:* Died, Friday evening at 11 o'clock, February 12, 1897, at his late residence on Griffith street, Joseph Manette, of pneumonia, aged about twenty-five years.

— Henderson *Gold Leaf:* The success of the Henderson cotton mills is a source of gratification to the *Gold Leaf*. Within less than six months after operations were begun the capacity of the mill is to be enlarged to almost double its present output—80 per cent. To this end the capital stock has been increased and new machinery purchased.

— Williamston *News:* The hearts of the people of Williamston were saddened on Friday last by the death of Miss Mollie Askew, of Bertie county, who two weeks before came to visit her friend and schoolmate, Mrs. S. F. Williams. The entire family of Mrs. Williams' were attacked with the grip and Miss Askew fell a victim also. Pneumonia developed and her strength was not sufficient to combat the disease.

— Greenville *Reflector:* Gov. Russell has pardoned George Dudley, who was sent to the penitentiary from this county for killing Red Blow, colored, over a game of cards some years ago. George ran away after committing the deed, was subsequently captured in Richmond and brought back here for trial, was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to fifteen years in the penitentiary. He served a few months over five years of his sentence.

— Louisburg *Times:* We regret to learn that Mr. George McGraha, a good citizen of Cower, died Sunday morning. He had an attack of the grip that terminated in pneumonia. His age was about sixty-five years. —— James Rankin, son of Jailor W. W. Rankin, died in the latter part of Sunday night. He returned from the State Hospital at Morganton a few weeks ago in bad shape and it was not expected he would recover. He had been afflicted for a number of years,

TWINKLINGS.

— Vinnie—Minnie will never marry until she meets her ideal.
Vietta—What is her ideal?
Minnie—A man who will propose.—*Glasgow Times.*

—"My dear," he said, "I wish you wouldn't wear your bloomers any longer." "Very well," replied his wife, sweetly. The next time she wore them three inches shorter.

— Max—Do you know I'm eating very little of late?
Mollie—Indeed! Have you lost your appetite?
Max—No, but I've lost my credit.

— "What is a crank, papa?"
"A crank, my son, is a fellow who goes around with his wheels."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

—Footpad—"Hold up yer hands!" Pedestrian (calmly)—"I have been out shopping all day with my wife."
"By Jinks! Here, take this quarter."—*N. Y. Weekly.*

— "Confound it!" exclaimed Carson, "that office boy is never around when he's wanted."
"What a splendid policeman he would make," murmured Phillips.—*Philadelphia North American.*

—Miss Browning—Just think! Brother Will has won a prize of 150 for a poem!" Miss—You don't tell me? Soap or beef extract?"—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

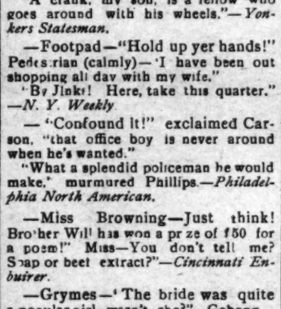
—Grymes—"The bride was quite a popular girl, wasn't she?" Gobong—"Yes, indeed. The Daily Whoop sent their sporting editor to report it. He printed a list of rejected lovers half a column long under the heading: Among Those Who Also Ran."

—A party of trippers from Oldham Blackpool on a windy day, were anxious to hire a boat. The boatman, however, intimated that they could not have one because there was a swell on the water. Swell be hanged!" cried the irate tripper. Isn't our brass as good as his?"—*Household Words.*

—Wife—"Be sure to advertise for Fido in the morning news papers." Next day the wife read as follows in the newspapers: "Ten Shillings Reward—Lost—A mangy lapdog, with one eye and no tail. To fat to walk. Responds to the name of Fido. Smells like a monkey house. If returned stuffed, thirty shillings reward."—*London Tit-Bits.*

—— When the Pop. and Republican politicians of North Carolina fall out the people of the State will eventually get their dues.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

Almost Distracted?



DID YOU EVER suffer from real nervousness? When every nerve seemed to quiver with a peculiar, creepy feeling, first in one place, and then another and all seemed finally to concentrate in a writhing jumble in the brain, and you become irritable, fretful and peevish; to be followed by an impotent, weakened condition of the nerve centers, ringing in the ears, and sleepless, miserable nights?

Dr. Miles' Nervine Restores Health.....

Mrs. Eugene Searles, 110 Simonton St., Elkhart, Ind., says: "Nervous troubles had made me nearly insane and physicians were unable to help me. My memory was almost gone and every little thing worried me until I was almost distracted. I really feared I was becoming a maniac. I imagined all sorts of evil things and would cry over nothing. I commenced taking Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine and four bottles of this wonderful remedy completely cured me, and I am as well now as I ever was."

Dr. Miles' Nervine is sold on guarantee, first bottle will benefit or money refunded.

No morphine or opium in Dr. Miles' PAIN PILLS. CURE All Pain. "One cent a dose."

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CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The same men who have been getting a corner profit of $10 a ton on rails out of the public are getting from 200 to 300 per cent. on armor plate out of the public Treasury. They are captains of industry indeed. When they see what they want they take it without stopping to ask for it.—*New York World, Dem.*

Nothing but sentiment is involved in Secretary Lamont's proposition to spend $5,000 a year in preserving the house in which President Lincoln died, and there may be a division of opinion as to whether the sentiment inspired by such a gruesome memorial is healthy or the reverse. The people do not wish to forget Lincoln, nor will they; but do they wish to keep before the eyes of cranks and Anarchists a perpetual reminder of how easily a President may be killed?—*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

WOOL FROM MARY'S LITTLE LAMB.

Made Into Yarn That Seventy-five Years Later Sold For $300 an Ounce.

I have got some yarn that was made from the fleece of the original 'Mary's little lamb,'" said the wife of a well known Orange county lawyer. "There are only four strands of it, and each one is only a few inches in length, and it cost 50 cents a strand. There is no doubt about its being the genuine wool of that immortal creature. I was in Boston a few years ago at the time the ladies of that city were raising funds to purchase the Old South church, which was threatened with destruction by the march of modern improvement. Among other devices was a fair called Aunt Tabitha's knitting bee, the attraction of which was a number of venerable dames who spun yarn on ancient spinning wheels, just as they and their mothers had spun it from the wool in the early days. Some Boston lady heard that Mary, the heroine of the little lamb rhyme, was living at Sterling, Mass., in the person of octogenarian Mrs. Tyler, a widow. This lady went to Sterling and not only found that Mrs. Tyler was really the original of the poem, but induced her to come to Boston and spend a day at the knitting bee. She was a delightful old lady and told the story of her little lamb.

"When she was but a few years old, her name being Mary Sawyer, among the lambs born on her father's farm one night was one which was such a weakling that Farmer Sawyer said that it could not possibly live. The child Mary felt such pity for the helpless lambkin that she begged her father to let her take it and try to nurse it into strength. He told her to take it. She carried it to the house, and all the rest of the day and all the following night treated it with such gentle care that next morning it was much improved, and Farmer Sawyer rejoiced Mary by telling her that it would live and grow strong. Such proved to be the case, and as it grew the lamb's affection for Mary was so great that it was miserable when separated from her."

"The stanza which says

"It followed her to school one day,
Which was against the rule.
It made the children laugh and play
To see a lamb at school,

records a fact, Mrs. Tyler said. The occurrence led a youth who attended the school to put the story of Mary and her little lamb into verse. The poet's name is lost. The lamb grew up and had lambs of its own, but the fondness of the lamb for Mary and of Mary for the lamb never grew less. One day as it was following Mary, who had gone to the pasture after the cows, the lamb was attacked by a vicious cow, which gored it with her horns and threw it into the air. It fell at Mary's feet and died. Mary's grief was deep and long lasting.

"The fleece was removed from her ill fated pet's body, and she spun it with her own hands into yarn, a quantity of which she kept ever after among her treasures. She was willing to part with some of it to aid in raising the fund for preserving the Old South church and brought with her to Boston perhaps a quarter of an ounce. After she told the story of Mary and her little lamb her yarn was in such demand that it was cut up into lengths sufficient to net $75 by the sale. I bought four little pieces of it at 50 cents a piece, and that is how I happen to have some of the wool of Mary's little lamb."—New York Sun.

The Reading Mania.

"They talk about the drink habit, the tobacco habit and the morphine habit," said Dr. E. C. Briggs of Pittsburg, "but the worst habit to which man can become addicted I have never seen mentioned in print. I refer to the reading habit.

"Reading is at once a source of recreation and profit when properly regulated, but when it becomes a confirmed habit it wrecks a man mentally and physically, rendering him entirely useless to himself or the world.

"Every librarian knows the class to whom I refer. Those with the reading habit read every minute, their brain becomes incapable of realizing the actual affairs of earth, and they no more understand other men than though they had never seen one.

"They are, of course, possessed of inexhaustible information, and a person to talk to one casually would suppose him to be a great man, when, as a matter of fact, he is no more fitted to take part in the affairs of the world than is a child in the cradle. There is no more pitiable object on earth than the man afflicted with the reading mania."—Washington Star.

Might Be Worse.

Mother—My dear, your father cannot stand this. Your husband, the count, has lost half a million at poker within six months.

Daughter—But, mamma, that is not so bad. I understand that the Earl of Tuffluck and the Marquis du Debris have each lost twice as much as that.—Brooklyn Life.

A Home Lesson.

Schoolmaster—Joseph, when your father hangs up four hams to the rafters and afterward sends one to your master, how many are there left?

Joseph—Three, sir.

Master—Quite right. Now be sure you mention this example to your father, just to show him how well you are getting on in your sums.—L'Ami de la Maison.

A HALF WITTED HERO

"Talking of remarkable escapes," remarked the drummer, "I think I know very few to beat that of which the hero was poor, half witted Bill Smith, whom I met at an appalling mining disaster in Scotland 10 or 12 years ago. At that time I was doing my yearly round of the manufacturing towns in England to get a line on the newest thing in carpets and ran north to Glasgow to visit some friends. The district for miles around is simply honeycombed with coal mines. One forenoon the startling information reached the city that there had been an explosion in one of the pits at Blantyre, a village seven or eight miles away, and curiosity drew me thither. I don't believe I'll ever forget the awful spectacle. Over 200 men were entombed, great volumes of smoke shot up through the pit mouth, and the wives and mothers stood by as near as they dared, weeping and wringing their hands for the doomed men below.

"Rescue parties were quickly made up, but they were driven back repeatedly by the blinding, choking fumes that belched from the pit mouth. The cries of the women were heartrending as they entreated the rescue party to go down. As quickly as human hands and human hearts could do it a fan was placed in position and the cage lowered over the deadly shaft. Still the men, inured as they were to danger, shrank back. Billy Smith pushed his way through them. He was a big, strong, lanky fellow, sluggishly good natured and known in the village as the man who didn't know much. He had wandered into the village half a dozen years before, with a dirty, limping cur at his heels. When he was asked his name, he said it was only Billy—nothing more. So they stuck Smith to the Billy because it was easy and rigged him out with a full name.

"Haud the pup," he said quietly, "and let me gae doon." An elderly woman who had three sons in the pit blessed him with the tears streaming down her cheeks, while the men stood back abashed and half ashamed. Billy was lowered quickly, and in a few moments—it seemed like an eternity to the wailing women above—he signaled for the cage to be brought up. It carried three men and a boy, blackened, choking, but unhurt.

"A few of the rescue party went down with the cage again, for the shaft was clearer now, and more of the entombed miners were quickly sent to the top. Then the horrors of the scene began to present themselves. There had been a great upheaval in the mines by the force of the explosion and the passages were hopelessly choked up with tons of fallen coal and debris. More men went to the rescue. They dug their picks into the awful wall in front of them, urged on by the energy of despair. Night fell, but still the monotonous ring of the picks struck through the mine, which even now was the tomb of many a strong man struck down in his prime. Presently a sort of opening was made into the stubborn wall of coal which blocked up the way and a man's arm protruded. The victim was quickly dug out and conveyed to the pit mouth. He was beyond all human help. He was not badly mangled; he had simply been choked to death by the fire damp. His widow had hovered all the day near the pit and in the blackness of the night the flickering lights of the lamps shed feverishly on her wan face. They had been married only a month and she was on her way to the pit with her husband's dinner when the roar of the explosion reached her ears. The dead man was tenderly laid at her feet. She flung herself on the body, kissed the poor blackened face and patted the limp, lifeless hands as she cried out: 'Speak to me, John! For God's sake speak to me!'

"As the rescuers in the mine dug farther into the opening they had made the deadly fire damp rushed through and drove them back. The fatal fumes pursued them, and they hurriedly gave the signal to be drawn up till the pit could be cleared of the foul air. Only half witted Billy Smith remained. You see he did not know much. He flung himself on the damp ground and lay there for hours, helpless and half conscious.

"By and by his dull intelligence told him of the buried miners in their living tomb beyond. He took up a pick and dug, dug, dug, slowly at first, but some God given feeling within him prompted him to persistently work. For seven hours he dug on till the ring of his pick reached the entombed men. Sweeter music never struck mortal ears. They, too, seized their picks and dug through the black wall to meet their rescuer. Suddenly it fell through, and a hole was left large enough for a man's body to pass through. Day was breaking at the pit mouth when the wery, wretched watchers there were startled to receive a signal for the cage. It was quickly lowered and came up presently with a grewsome collection of limbs that had been torn off dead bodies and living men.

"The work of rescue now went bravely on, and the awful extent of the calamity was soon discovered. A dozen or so more miners were dug out alive, and as each pitload reached the mouth the rescued miners were seized by their friends and hurried off to the village public house. Soon the sounds of revelry swept down to the pit mouth, where wornout, broken hearted women stood waiting for their dead and strong men sobbed for their boys. The dead miners were drawn up the shaft in a pitiable state. Some had had their arms or legs torn off, others had lost their heads, while more had their faces so blackened that the scorched skin peeled off at a touch.

"Suddenly somebody in the crowd cried, 'Where's Billy Smith?' Nobody knew, and two good natured miners volunteered to go down the shaft to see if he had been hurt in the mine. They searched perfunctorily enough, for they did not suppose that he had been left behind. But a faint moan reached their ears from among the debris, which had fallen near the hole that had been battered in for the rescue of the entombed miners. They cleared the rubbish away quickly and pulled out a man. Yes, it was Billy. He had dug his own grave. He was hauled to the top and laid down. Brandy was poured down his throat, and by and by he opened his eyes. 'Whaur's my dog?' he faintly choked out. Somebody brought the cur to him and laid it in his arms. He hugged it closely, and then, with a smile on his blackened, scorched face, he quietly died. Billy was a man who did not know very much, you see. He simply knew enough to die for others."—Exchange.

A Baboo Pleader's Eloquence.

The following is given as a specimen of a baboo pleader's eloquence:

My learned friend, with mere wind from a teapot, thinks to browbeat me from my legs. But this is mere gorilla warfare. I stand under the shoes of my client and only seek to place my bone of contention clearly in your honor's eye. My learned friend vainly runs amuck upon the sheet anchors of my case. Your honor will be pleased enough to observe that my client is a widow, a poor chap with one post mortem son. A widow of this country, your honor will be pleased enough to observe, is not like a widow of your honor's country. A widow of this country is not able to eat more than one meal a day, or to wear clean clothes, or to look after a man. So my poor client had not such physic or mind as to be able to assault the lusty complainant."

Proceeding, the pleader said his learned friend had thrown only "an argument ad hominy" upon his teeth that his client's witnesses were all her own relations. But he continued:

"Their relationship is only homeopathic. So the misty arguments of my learned friend will not hold water. At least they will not hold good water. Then, my learned friend has said that there is on the side of his client a respectable witness—viz, a pleader—and since this witness is independent, so he should be believed. But, your honor, with your honor's vast experience, is pleased enough to observe that truthfulness is not so plentiful as blackberries in this country. And I am sorry to say, though this witness is a man of my own feathers, that there are in my profession black sheep of every complexion, and some of them do not always speak gospel truth. The witness cannot be allowed to raise a castle in the air by beating upon a bush. So, trusting in that administration of British justice on which the sun never sits, I close my case.—Westminster Gazette.

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Rev. R. C. Beaman, recently appointed by the North Carolina Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, has made his appointments for the first round, as follows:

Clinton circuit, at Keeners, February 13, 14.
Jacksonville and Richlands, at Jacksonville, February 20, 21.
Elizabeth circuit, at Elizabethtown, February 27, 28.
Kenansville circuit, at Kenansville, March 6, 7.
Onslow circuit, at Queen's Creek, March 13, 14.
Brunswick circuit, at Concord, March 20, 21.
Columbus circuit, Evergreen, March 27, 28.
Whiteville and Fair Bluff, Whiteville (night), March 28.
Waccamaw circuit, Shiloh, March 30.
Magnolia circuit, Magnolia, April 3, 4.
Bladen circuit, at Bethlehem, April 10, 11.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6	@	7
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	4¾@		5
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	4¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each	1 30	@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	23	@	24
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	
Northern	18	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	33	@	40
Virginia Meal	40	@	4¾
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	95
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	11	@	18
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℔ dozen		@	11
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	$2 00	@	$30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@	3 50
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75	@	6 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
FLOUR—℔ barrel—	3 85	@	5 50
Low grade		@	3 75
Choice		@	4 25
Straight	4 75	@	5 00
First Patent	5 50	@	5 75
GLUE—℔ ℔—		7@	8¼
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White,	40	@	43¼
Car load, in bags—White,	38	@	39
Oats, from a car	30	@	35¼
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	60	@	65
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	7@
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔—			
Eastern		@	1 00
Western		@	90
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		@	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5½@		6
North Carolina	5 @		10
LIME ℔ barrel	1 15	@1	25
LUMBER(city sawed), ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	13 00	@	2000
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	18 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, sqeaced	19 00	@	32 00
Scanti ng and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hhds		@	28
" " in bbls		@	30
Porto Rico, in hhds	27	@	29
" in bbls		@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	13	@	14
" in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	18	@	
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis	1 75	@1	85
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	9 00	@	9 25
Rump		@	8 75
Prime		@	8 75
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	11
SALT, ℔ sack Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	60
Lisbon		@	
American		@	60
On 100 ℔ Sacks	60	@	65
SHINGLES, ℔ inch, ℔ M	4 00	@	5 50
Common	2 50	@	3 25
Cypress Saps	3 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		@	4¾
Standard A		@	4¼
White Ex. C		@	4¼
Extra C, Golden	4	@	4¼
C, Yellow		@	4
SOAP, ℔ ℔— Northern	3½@		4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	5 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	6 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	5 00
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
TALLOW, ℔ ℔—	4	@	4¼
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00	@	1 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	1 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, February 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 50 per bbl for Strained and $1 55 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market quiet at 95 cents per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal. No receipts. Nothing doing.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm, 27½@36½c; rosin, firm, $1 25, 1 30; tar firm, 90c; crude turpentine nothing doing.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	89
Rosin	310
Tar	210
Crude Turpentine	00

Receipts same day last year—84 casks spirits turpentine, 686 bbls rosin, 147 bbls tar, 4 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6¾c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4¾	cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	5¾	" "
Low Middling	6¾	" "
Middling	6¾	" "
Good Middling	7 1-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7¾c.

Receipts—142 bales; same day last year, 94.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 50@55c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 60c; Fancy, 60@65c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 50@55c; Fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 40 to 42 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch; $3.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $5.00 to 8.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 15—Evening.—Money on call to-day was easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan at 1½ per cent, closing offered at 1½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper was 3 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with the actual business in bankers bills at 484¾@485 for sixty days; 487@487¼ for demand. Commercial bills 483¾@484¼. Government bonds were steady; United States coupon fours 113¾; United States twos 95¼. State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 101; North Carolina sixes 120. Railroad bonds firm.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to day was neglected.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 15—Evening.—Cotton steady; middling 7c.

Cotton futures—market closed firm; February 6 73, March 6 74, April 6 81 May 6 87, June 6 92, July 6 97, August 6 99, September 6 75, October 6 77, November 6 68, December 6 72. Sales 222,000 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 400 bales; gross 3,157 bales; exports to Great Britain 6,733 bales; to France 1,005 bales; to the Continent 3,596 bales; forwarded 1,497 bales; sales 818 bales; sales to spinners 518 bales; stock 280,543 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 15,940 bales; exports to Great Britain 14,884 bales; to France 1,095 bales; to the Continent 13,013 bales; stock 956 520 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts 31,497 bales; exports to Great Britain 29,898 bales; to France 1,095 bales; to the Continent 14 263 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 5,758,414 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,450,679 bales; exports to France 594,424 bales; exports to the Continent 1,435,372 bales; to the Channel 5 481 bales.

Flour—the market was dull and easy; winter wheat, low grades $2 30@3 30; do. fair to fancy $3 45@4 50; do. patents $4 60@5 00; Minnesota clear $3 50@3 95; patents $4 10@4 85; low extra $2 30@3 30. Southern fl

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She was too well behaved to say it, so she left the two young men together. When alone, she reflected that Albert was a very nice cousin, and might make a very good husband. As for his friend—well, he was a very good looking man and might be a very nice fellow—but what a difference between the two!

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"Your cousin is a charming girl," said Jack.

"Oh, yes, but she is only a schoolgirl."

"Well, what else can she be? She is just out of school and not a woman yet. Do you know what were my thoughts as I looked at you both?"

"How can I know?"

"I was thinking that you would make a pretty couple."

"Now, Jack, what harm have I ever done you that you should want to chain me down?"

"Are you not 25?"

"Is that old age?"

"Would you give an old man to your cousin, who will be only 19 next year?"

"In two years she will be 20—that will be better still. Then I will be a serious man and an M. D.

"Clara is a good match; our fortunes are about equal. I think I might make a living in this country. Well, who knows what may happen one day? I have plenty of time to think of it."

"I think your cousin deserves better than that, and you ought to be in love with her."

"What! Love at first sight! I do think Clara is pretty, but—plenty of time—plenty of time!"

Everybody seemed happy at the mill—even Clara, who listened with pleasure to the compliments of her cousin whenever he chanced to be with her, and she thought him so witty that she quite forgot to show her own wit before him.

In the meantime she was hoping that he would propose before going back to Paris; but the last day dawned, and he had not said the least word about marriage. She hoped till the last hour; then, till the last minute.

Albert gave kisses all around and said to her: "I will come back next year. I will write to you and send De Musset's works, as I promised."

She plucked up courage and said to him, "Is that all you want to promise, Albert?"

He understood what she meant, but would not promise more, and as his eyes rested on the clock he said: "Goodby, cousin; the train is here—it cannot wait."

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The life of a student, especially that of a student who does not study, is just as tiresome as any other.

There comes a time when he gets tired of beer, wine and cigars.

Albert was in one of his dark days. Since morning he had felt cross, and would not even smoke; his pipe lay on his table with a pile of books and dusty papers. His tobacco pouch reminded him of Clara—she had embroidered it for him during the week he had spent with her. Then he was also reminded that he had promised to write and send De Musset's works. He felt unhappy at these thoughts, and remorse made him go out to repair his forgetfulness.

There is a knock at the door. The servant brings up a letter to him. It is from his mother.

His drowsiness gives way as he reads the lines; he gets up in a passion, upsetting the table and everything upon it.

Clara is to be married, and in a week too! And he is expected to attend the wedding!

"And whom does she marry, I wonder?" exclaims he; "some common country lad, I suppose. No, it cannot be! I must go there and stop it; she cannot be sacrificed in this way."

Two hours later he started with a valise in one hand and a bundle under one arm; it was Musset's works.

Clara met him at the garden gate; she was looking as fresh as the flowers, and he, being conceited, thought that the happiness expressed on her face was due to his presence. She was less timid than last year and a little stouter; one could read her heart through her gray eyes and her smiles.

"Is what I hear true, Clara?"

"Certainly; I was about to write to you. I want you here for the wedding."

"It is impossible!"

"Quite possible and true."

"With whom?"

"With Jack, of course."

"Ah, the scoundrel! There is nothing like a friend to betray one."

"Why, Albert, what a short memory you have! Poor Jack would not speak of love before he was quite sure of your feelings toward me. I am very thankful that you set him at liberty to speak. I am so proud and happy at being loved by such a noble heart."

Albert threw his bundle on the table. "What is that?" asked Clara.

"Musset's works. I had promised them to you."

"You are too late, cousin. Jack gave them to me long ago, as I was complaining of your forgetfulness."

"Tell me, Clara—this is all a dream, is it not? You are not going to marry Jack?"

She laughed. "And why not?" said she.

"Because I love you; because, if you mean to marry Jack, I start by the first train, and you shall never see me again.

She looked at the clock, as he had done the year before, and said archly, "Then hurry up, cousin, for the train is here, and it cannot wait."—From the French.

The Worm Turned.

Verily the worm will turn, even the downtrodden, patient male worm found in street cars. He turned the other day on the Madison avenue line. He was a sickly looking man of middle age, who entered and gazed about anxiously for a seat. About the middle of the car he detected signs of hope where a bird of gaudy plumage had pre-empted a 15 cent reservation with her balloon sleeves. Even a half way civil shrinkage on her part would have made him happy, but she never budged as he stood before her in the aisle.

Her neighbor's heart surrendered a few inches of space, and he used that opening wedge till the gaudy grabber, with the usual street car look of withering contempt, yielded enough more to make him easy—on a pinch.

Three or four blocks farther on a stupendous recruit was added to the company. She carried a market basket and had the breadth of the Liberty statue. At once the sick looking passenger became aroused to the demands of chivalry, offered his scant accommodations to the buxom dame and retired to the platform to watch results.

The space resigned was an awful misfit, but that didn't bother the fortunate winner. It was the furious heart of the gaudy creature that broke under the mass of determined, plebeian flesh at her side. She turned red, white and blue, bit her lips at the spectacle of crushed wings and darted javelins of wrath toward the platform. The audience gasped and smiled. She signaled a stop. As she angrily flounced past her merciless foe that dear old word "brute" came hissing hot from her mouth.—New York Herald.

THROUGH THE WOOD.

Through the wood, the green wood, the wet wood, the light wood,
Love and I went Maying a thousand lives ago.
Shafts of golden sunlight had made a golden bright wood
In my heart reflected, because I loved you so.

Through the wood, the chill wood, the brown wood, the bare wood,
I alone went lonely no later than last year.
What had thinned the branches and wrecked my dear and fair wood,
Killed the pale wild roses and left the rose thorns sear?

Through the wood, the dead wood, the sad wood, the lone wood,
Winds of winter shiver lichens old and gray.
You ride past, forgetting the wood that was our own wood,
All our own, and withered as ever a flower of May.

—New York Tribune.

TRAIN CAN'T WAIT.

She is just 18, with golden hair and gray eyes—large gray eyes that laugh just as well as her red lips. Her figure, though a little frail, makes one think what a pretty woman she will be soon. Her hands and arms are those of a child. Is she not still a child? Clara left school but a fortnight ago. She is the beloved and only daughter of a rich miller in the neighborhood of Avesnes.

Nothing is more poetical than a mill in the country. It does not disturb the silence of the air with its monotonous tick tack. On the contrary, its noise, strong and regular, is like an accompaniment to the many other noises of the wind, and of the trees, and of the birds. Clara was charmed with it all.

During a few days after her arrival the whole house was upset, making and receiving calls, dinner parties, dancing parties, lawn tennis—the days were not long enough to hold their pleasures. Then all was quiet at the mill.

In the orchard, which was large, the walks were spread over with sand, and the trees, loaded with fruit, afforded a beautiful, shady grove. This was Clara's favorite nook. Here she would go and read poetry. She had been given the works of Lamartine, beautifully bound. Now, Lamartine is a very tender poet, and Clara was still in her teens, and this was summer, and the fragrance of the flowers and the murmur of the breeze acted on her young mind, and through this book she would dream of things that she had never dreamed of before.

One day her mother asked her if she remembered her cousin Albert.

"Oh, yes, indeed!" said she. This answer came from her heart. She blushed, and from her neck to her brow she felt that sort of electricity that is produced by a little shame and a great pleasure.

"Well," said her mother, "you will see him very soon."

Clara was about to say, "Oh! how glad I am," but she thought it more proper to say nothing.

And why was she silent? I will tell you—it was because she had read Lamartine. Why does pretty poetry make one false? Well, I don't know, but it speaks of love—and what is love?

"Well," said Clara, "I have not seen him for two years. I suppose he is changed."

"Not more than you," said her mother, casting a loving glance of admiration at her daughter. "You were a little girl when you went away. You are a young lady now."

Clara ran off to her beloved grove to hide the blushes on her cheeks and the beatings of her heart. She sat down, drew from her pocket her volume of poetry, but read not a line.

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Albert arrived a few days before he was expected, but she was thinking of him. She always had roses on her cheeks, but these roses changed into peonies when she saw him, and her hands trembled. He took hold of those hands and kissed her on both cheeks.

He was a medical student who had not yet in his brain the least thought of anything serious. He had suddenly discovered in himself a vocation for the beautiful science of Æsculapius, that he might go to Paris to spend a few years of his life and waste a few thousands of his father's francs.

"Ah, little cousin," said he, "you are pretty now. Why, I am afraid I shall fall in love with you."

She looked at him, not knowing what to say.

"Have you forgotten the good times we had in this garden and over there in the woods?"

"Oh, no," said she.

"And when we would go rowing and I would scare you by swinging to and fro in the boat to capsize you?"

"Oh, no. I remember it all."

"Then why don't you put your arms around my neck and say pleasant things to me as you did then?"

"I don't know," she faltered.

Then he said to himself, "This cousin of mine must be a little simpleton."

"Well," said he, aloud, "and what is this book?"

"Lamartine. It is beautiful."

"I don't think so. I think it stupid." Then, seeing that she was somewhat abashed, he added, "Why does it displease you that I should not care for Lamartine?"

"Because I love his poems."

"Well, if I read poetry I want Alfred de Musset. I shall send you his works when I get to Paris."

At this moment they heard a quick and firm step on the sandy walk, and a young man came upon them.

"Excuse me, mademoiselle," said he. "I have just learned that Albert is here and I have come to shake hands."

An old saying came to Clara's mind: "Two is company; three is a crowd."

DEAN SWIFT.

An Argument to Show That His Strongest Feature Was Vindictiveness.

The strongest feature in Swift is vindictiveness; he never forgives. If he hates a man, he has no pity. I seem to perceive in him a Ragnar Lodbrog, a Wicking, cold in the fury of battle, relentless and at times quite inhuman. Read his "Character of the Duke of Wharton" or his "Legion Club." There you will see what a Bearsark can achieve with satire and cursing, in language borrowed from the lowest pit. "Of such great emolument," we may say, quoting his own words, "is a tincture of this vapor which the world calls madness."

Let us imagine the man, therefore, come of this undaunted stock, with a "somewhat whimsical and singular" ancestry, best shown in Thomas Swift, vicar of Goodrich, who had been plundered times out of number by the Roundheads during the great rebellion. Here is the seed of Jonathan's lifelong hatred toward the Dissenters, and one explanation, besides his overbearing common sense, of the Hudibras satires with which he flayed and rent in pieces the thing he disdained as "enthusiasm." Toward the Puritans he was always "ferociously intolerant;" but, then, his family had borne from the saints not a little outrage and loss in the days of King Oliver. We must not delude ourselves with the fancy that this man of genius ever looked on the world with disinterested eyes.

Personal motives mingled in his noblest actions, nor did he pretend to the unselfishness which we admire in certain of the world's heroes. He could not, I think, even imagine it. Was he likely indeed to run against patterns of high virtue in the decorous incapacity of Sir William Temple, the stolid dullness of Harley or the brilliant, deceptive shallows of Pope and Bolingbroke? Morally speaking, the age of Anne was ignoble, its manners coarse, its standard confessedly low. Its religion was naught or a simple "reason of state," its politics an intrigue, its poetry elegant or indecent trifling, its measure of value wealth and fame. Enthusiasm in good or evil was as wholly foreign to the Whigs who brought in the elector of Hanover as to the Tories who schemed to keep him out. We may call it the age of accepted commonplace.—Contemporary Review.

Surprises of Travel.

A noble English lady who was over here several years ago and who was entertained by a number of prominent New Yorkers said one day to a countrywoman of ours:

"Everything here was such a surprise to me! Why, there are some houses where I have been in New York that are really very handsome."

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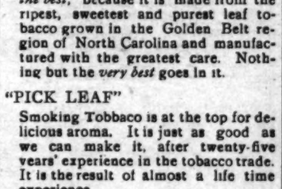

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

SCHEDULE IN EFFECT FEB., 8, 1897.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.30 A M a m, Warsaw 11.11 a m, Goldsboro 12.01 a m, Wilson 12.46 p m, Rocky Mount 1.30 p m, Tarboro 2.00 p m, Weldon 3.30 p m, Petersburg 5.14 p m, Richmond 6.50 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m, Baltimore 12.58 a m, Philadelphia 3.40 a m, New York 6.58 a m, †Boston 3.00 p m.

DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 0.45 a m, Rocky Mount 11.26 p m, Weldon 1.44 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.34 a m, Richmond 4.30 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.35 a m, New York 1.00 p m, Boston 5.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 5.35 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.29 p m, Chadbourn 5.04 p m, Marion 6.05 p m, Florence 6.45 p m, Sumter 8.45 p m, Columbia 10.55 p m, Denmark 6.30 a m, Augusta 8.10 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.20 p m, Savannah 12.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.30 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 5.45 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.00 p m, *New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.50 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.12 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.03 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.30 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 7.13 night, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.45 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 9.30 p m, Weldon 9.43 p m, †Tarboro 0.05 p m, Rock Mount 5.45 a m, leave Wilson 6.30 a m, Goldsboro 7.08 a m, Warsaw 7.53 a m, Magnolia 8.10 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.25 a m, Sanford 3.19 p m, Jacksonville 7.00 p m Savannah 12.45 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 5.50 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 2.45 p m, Denmark 4.55 p m, Sumter 6.45 a m,, Florence 8.55 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.06 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.38 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5 30 p m, Greenville 6.25 p m, Kinston 7 55 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7 50 a m, Greenville 8 51 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 30 a m, Weldon 11.47 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 3.30 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Parmele 9.10 a m and 8 40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 10.10 a m and 6 30 p m, arrives Washington 11 25 a m and 7.30 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.30 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.50 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.30 a m., Arrive Tarboro 10.05 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7 10 a m; arrive Smithfield N C., 8 30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10 35 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.00 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 6 a m, Nashville 6.35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.15 a m and 4.10 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 3.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9.10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9 49 a m, Rowland 10 00 a m, returning leaves Rowland 5 38 p m, arrives Dillon 5.56 p m, Latta 6.09 p m, Pee Dee 6.30 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 6.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.00 p m. leave Conway 2 25 p m, Chadbourn 5.30 p m, arrive Hub 6.00 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 40 p m, Manning 7.10 p m, arrive Lane's 7 48 p m, leave Lanes 8.36 a m, Manning 9.05 a m. arrive Sumter 9.35 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 5 p m, arrive Lanes 8.35 a m, 5.35 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday 8 55 a m, arrive Darlington 9 28 a m, Cheraw 10 40 a m. Wadesboro 2 25 p m, leave Florence daily except Sunday 3.10 p m, arrive Darlington 3.40 p m, Hartsville 5 05 p m, Bennettsville 6 30 p m, Gibson 7 p m. Leave Florence Sunday only 9 a m, arrive Darlington 9.37 a m, Hartsville 10 10 a m.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6 15 a m, Bennettsville 6 41 a m, arrive Darlington 7 40 a m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 6 30 a m, arrive Darlington 7 15 a m, leave Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 15 a m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3 p m, Cheraw 5 10 p m, Darlington 6 27 p m, arrive Florence 6 55 p m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 7 a m, Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 10 a m.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.10 p m, arrive Selma 2.50 p m, Smithfield 3.55 p m, Dunn 4.35 p m, Fayetteville 4.15 p m, 1.10 a m, Rowland 5.38 p m, returning, leave Rowland 10.00 a m, Fayetteville 11.30 a m, 10.20 p m, Dunn 12.07 a m, Smithfield 12.48 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.42 p m, 12.10 a m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4 30 a m, Creston 5 21 a m, arrive Denmark 6 20 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 55 p m, Creston 5 47 p m, Sumter 6 40 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9.15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m; arrives Creston 3 50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.45 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.45 p m, Returning leave Lucknow 6 05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliot 8.35 a m and 3.30 p m.

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T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager. feb 9 tf

W., N. & N. Railway.

In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

NORTH BOUND		STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND	
No 5	No 15		No 7	No 25
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
† 00	2 00	Lv...Mulberry street...Ar	12 40	
† 00	2 10	Lv...Surry street...Ar	12 30	3.35
9 50		Ar...Jacksonville...Lv		12 05
11 00	3 58	Lv...Ar	10 42	10 35
11 56	4 30	Lv...Maysville...Lv	10 09	9 18
12 30	4 44	Lv...Pollocksville...Lv	9 55	8 50
1 30	5 30	Ar...Newbern...Lv	9 30	8 00
	P M		A M	

Nos. 5 and 6 mixed trains

Nos. 7 and 8 passenger trains.

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*Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

‡Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

†Daily except Sunday.

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J. W. MARTENIS, Traffic Manager. my 22 tf

Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad

Time Table.

In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
12 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.		STATIONS.	4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 30	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 13	Kinston	10 32	.....
5 15	5 05	Newbern	9 77	9 30
6 27	6 40	Morehead City	8 07	8 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11 05 a m, and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 p. m., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 p. m. No. 1 train also connects with W. N. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT FEBRUARY 7, 1897.

SOUTH BOUND DAILY	MAIN LINE.	NORTH BOUND DAILY
No. 1.		No. 2.
7 45 p. m.	Ar...Wilmington...Lv	7 10 a.
4 35 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	11 00 a m
4 18 "	Ar...Fayetteville...Lv	11 21 "
4 13 "	Ar Fayetteville Junc Lv	11 27 "
2 58 "	Lv ....Sanford.....Lv	1 05 p. m
12 43 "	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	2 55 "
12 15 "	Lv....Greensbo

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEB. 16, 1897

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Greece Notified by the Powers that Destructive Steps Will Be Taken to Prevent Further Hostile Action.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ATHENS, Feb. 15.—The representatives of the Powers accredited to Greece held two meetings yesterday, their conferences taking place at the French Legation. At the second meeting, which was held in the evening, it was agreed that the Powers, through their ministers at Athens, should protest against Greek intervention in Crete, and as a result of this decision the French minister, M. Bouree, waited upon M. Del Yannis, the Greek Premier, and intimated to him that the Powers had determined to take decisive steps, even resorting to arms, to prevent Greece from taking further hostile action in Crete. M. Bouree, as the spokesman of the representatives of the Powers, advised the immediate recall of the Greek flotilla from Crete, and at the same time promised that the Powers would take into consideration the claims of Greece in Crete and the question of a union of Crete with Greece. Premier Del Yannis asked to be allowed time in which to reply to the representations made by M. Bouree, which request was granted.

CANEA, CRETE, Feb. 15.—The commanders of the British and other foreign warships stationed here have informed Prince George, commanding the Greek torpedo flotilla, that they have received orders to prevent the occupation of the island of Crete by Greece and, if necessary, to use force to carry out these instructions.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat and Corn Higher—Oats Lower—Provisions Higher.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—The trouble between Greece and Turkey over the island of Crete was the chief topic of interest and the main bull factor in the wheat market to-day. It caused a jump of 1¼@1⅝c at the start and kept the crowd in a nervous condition afterwards. After the opening, which was very strong, prices eased off about a full cent, but rose 1⅛c from the inside, losing a part of the improvement in the last hour. May wheat opened from 75¼c to 75c, sold between 74⅜ and 75⅝c, closing at 75¼@75⅜c—1¼c higher than Saturday. Cash wheat was firm and 1¼c higher.

May corn opened at 23⅛c, advanced to 24c, closing at 23⅞@24c—¼c higher than Saturday. Cash corn was easy and ¼c lower, closing steady to firm with the futures.

May oats closed ¼c higher than Saturday. Cash oats were weak and ¼@⅜c per bushel higher.

Provisions—A light run of hogs, with an attendant advance of 5@10c in their prices, extended firmness to product. The provision market also felt the effect of the war scare. Towards the close prices advanced on covering by shorts, a prominent commission house buying heavily of pork. May pork closed 25c higher; May lard 12½c higher, and May ribs 10@12½c higher.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here was unchanged, with sales of 518 bales for spinning and 300 delivered on contract.

In the early trading the market was strong and active. The Liverpool news was better than had been expected; recent sellers bought back their cotton; Liverpool and the South bought and there was considerable new buying for local account. The unsettled foreign political situation had no influence on the maket, as it is generally believed that war between Greece and Turkey will be averted by the action of the Powers. The receipts were light, the exports were liberal, Southern spot markets were firm and higher in some instances and Fall River and Manchester private advices were favorable. In the afternoon session the trading was less active, but the undertone of the market was strong and prices closed firm at about the highest figures of the day. The port receipts for the week are estimated at 95,000 bales

At Tacoma, Wash., Cubin sympathizers yesterday held an open air mass meeting and denounced Premier Canovas as a villian and assassin. The Spanish flag was trailed in the mud and then burned. A resolution was adopted praying that Canovas might be subjected to the same torture as the victims.

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NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feburary 15.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 70. Spirits turpentine quiet at 29@29½c.

CHARLESTON, February 15.—Spirits turpentine firm at 26½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales of — barrels: A, B, C $1 40, D, E $1 45, F $1 45, G $1 50, H $1 65, I $1 80, K $1 80, M $1 85, N $1 85, W G $1 90, W W $2 15.

SAVANNAH, Feburary 15.—Spirits turpentine firm at 26½c, with sales 188 casks; receipts 380 casks. Rosin quiet and unchanged; sales — barrels; receipts 2 420 barrels.

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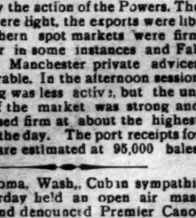

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CONGRESS YESTERDAY.

THE ABROGATION OF THE CLAYTON-BULWER TREATY IN THE SENATE.

The Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation Bill and the Sundry Civil Bill Pass the House—National Guards to be Supplied With Improved Arms—Secretary of the Navy Authorized to Furnish a Vessel to Transport Grain to the Starving People of India.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The morning business of the Senate was soon broken in upon to-day by the Vice President laying before that body the joint resolution introduced last week by Mr. Morgan to declare the Clayton-Bulwer treaty abrogated. When Mr. Sherman called attention to the fact that a joint resolution was not properly a subject for consideration in the morning hour, the Vice President promptly sustained the point of order, intimating at the same time that he would recognize Mr. Morgan to move that the joint resolution be taken up. Instead of making that motion, however, Mr. Morgan appealed from the decision of the Vice President, and was about to make his speech in support of the joint resolution, when he was again brought up suddenly by another point of order on the part of Mr. Sherman, that the appeal was not debatable.

Mr. Morgan insisted that it was, and made the cutting remark that the Senator from Ohio had been so long in the Senate that he had forgotten the rules. The Vice President sustained Mr. Sherman's point, causing Mr. Morgan to intimate that he was being "victimized" by the Chair and by the Senator from Ohio. The allegation was promptly, and not without a show of annoyance, repelled by the Vice President. Senators Faulkner of Virginia, Democrat, Quay of Pennsylvania, Republican, and Chandler of New Hampshire, Republican, made suggestions intended to clear obstructions out of Mr. Morgan's path, and finally the latter made the formal motion that the joint resolution be taken up for consideration, and that motion was carried by a majority of one (33 to 31). But just as Mr. Morgan was about to enjoy his triumph, and to deliver his speech for the abrogation of the treaty, he was once more blocked by the objection (made by Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts, Republican), that the subject was one for consideration in executive session.

Mr. Morgan suggested that what Mr. Hoar meant was not an executive session but a secret executive session. Taking the same view of it, the Vice President ordered the galleries to be cleared and the doors locked. This occurred at 12.40, and at 2 o'clock three bells were rung, indicating that the executive session proper began then. It lasted until nearly four o'clock, when the doors were re-opened and the Bankruptcy bill was taken up as the unfinished business. No progress was made with it beyond having the Senate substitute read in full. After that the conference report on the Legislative bill was presented and agreed to, and twenty-four private pension bills, with a lot of other miscellaneous bills were passed, and at 5.15 p. m. the Senate adjourned,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

A resolution was adopted providing for evening sessions, and to-morrow for the consideration of private pension bills.

Amendments of the Senate to the Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation bill were concurred in. The bill goes to the President.

House substitute for the Senate bill appropriating $350,000 for closing the crevasses in the Mississippi river at Pass L'Outre was passed.

This being suspension day, Mr. Cannon, of Illinois, Republican, moved that the rules be suspended, and the Sundry Civil bill be passed.

An effort to dispense with the formal reading of the bill being unsuccessful, the clerk proceeded with the reading.

When the reading of the bill had been completed, Mr. Sayers, of Texas, Democrat, criticised the passage of the bill under the suspension, containing as it did large appropriations for river and harbors, of which sufficient information had not been furnished and upon what a separate vote should be had.

Mr. Pearson of North Carolina, Republican, made a sharp attack on the river and harbor items. He criticised particularly the fact that every member of the committee had in the bill an appropriation of about $400,000 for some improvement in his State, and Mr. Sherman, of New York, had taken care of his district by an item of $598,358 for Dunkirk harbor, New York.

The Sundry Civil bill was passed, its opponents not being numerous enough to even secure a vote by yeas and nays.

Resolutions reported from Elections Committee No. 2 declaring Charles J. Boatner (the present incumbent) elected and Alexis Benoit, contestant, not elected to the present Congress from the Fifth District of Alabama, were agreed to.

A bill was passed to supply the National Guards of the various States with Springfield rifles of .45 calibre in exchange for their present rifles.

Senate resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to furnish a naval or other ship to transport to India certain supplies donated by Western States for the relief of the starving poor of that country was passed.

At 5 o'clock a recess was taken until 8 o'clock—the evening session to be devoted to private pension bills.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Issue of Standard Silver Dollars—Treasury Deficit—Steamer Bermuda.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The issue of standard silver dollars from the mints and Treasury offices for the week ended February 13th was $351,050 and for the corresponding period last year was $393,014. The shipment of fractional silver coin from February 1st to February 13th aggregated $303,289.

The Treasury deficiency for the first half of February is $3,858 500 and for the first seven and a half months of the current fiscal year to date $47,713,800. The money of all kinds in the Treasury available for current use is stated at $316,000,000, of which $146,000,000, including the $100,000,000 gold reserve, is gold, $300,000,000 silver certificates, $11,000,000 United States notes and $39,000,000 of miscellaneous funds.

The new complication which has arisen in the case of the Bermuda is different from any attaching to other suspected filibustering vessels, with the possible exception of the Danish steamer Horsa. Attorney Vandever, of Philadelphia, representing the owners of the Bermuda, arrived here this morning and claims that the Bermuda is an English vessel. She flies the British flag and is registered in Lloyds as a British vessel, though it is claimed by the United States authorities that she is actually the property of Philadelphia capitalists. Mr. Vandever will endeavor to interest the British ambassador here in having the Bermuda released.

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U. S. SUPREME COURT

HEARS ARGUMENT IN THE CASE OF THE STEAMER THREE FRIENDS.

Charged With Engaging in Cuban Filibustering Expeditions—Arguments For and Against the Vessel.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—In accordance with the decision reached two weeks ago, when the usual February recess began, the Supreme Court of the United States reassembled to-day to hear argument upon the appeal of the United States from the judgment of Judge Locke, of the United States Court in Florida, in the case of the Three Friends, the steamer seized last November in Cuban filibustering movements.

Mr. Charles Carlisle, counsel for Spain, asked and obtained leave to file a brief in the case as *amicus curiæ*, stating that the Attorney General and Mr. Phillips, the latter representing the appellee, had courteously stated that they had no objection.

E. B. Whitney, Assistant Attorney General, reviewed the preliminary proceeding, resulting in the lower court in the release of the vessel under stipulation and bond from the libel of the Government. A leading question in the case, he said, was: Do the words "colony, district or people" in the section under which the libel was filed include insurrectionary bodies like the present "Republic of Cuba," whose belligerency, technically speaking, has not yet been recognized by the executive department of our Government? He contended that such bodies were so included, and quoted an opinion to that effect by Attorney General Hoar upon a former Cuban insurrection, and this construction held, he said, until Judge Locke's decision had been acquiesced in.

Proceeding, Mr. Whitney made the points that (1) the internal evidence of the statement was opposed to the theory that a recognition of belligerency was necessary to the operation of the statute; (2) the history of the statute is opposed to the theory; (3) if any executive recognition is necessary to put the statute in operation, that recognition had been given when the libel was filed; (4) the stipulation and bond for the release of the vessel was not authorized by law and the vessel should be remanded to the custody of the marshal.

Discussing the first point, Mr. Whitney called attention to the serious consequences of the recognition of the belligerency of one insurgent body—traffic and munitions must be stopped, claims for reparation on account of damages suffered by citizens of the United States through the hostilities could not be enforced, and merchantmen must submit to the rights of blockade visitation, search and seizure of contraband articles on the high seas.

Mr. W. Hallett Phillips followed in behalf of the Three Friends. He argued that the position of the lower court was correct; that the statute was not violated because when the act mentioned the word "people" it meant one of the denominations applied by Congress to a foreign Power.

The argument for the steamer was continued by Mr. A. W. Cockrell, of Florida, attorney for the owners of the vessel. He devoted himself largely to the construction of the statute. It was penal, he said, and in enforcing it the Government could not alienate a single fact or circumstance required by the statute to make out the forfeiture provided for. In seeking under the libel in question to make out a case of forfeiture independently of and without reference to the ascertained guilt of the offending persons, he said, the Government was forced to say that the vessel might be liable to condemnation under the statute and the offending persons acquitted. The proceeding against the Three Friends, he said, was not a case of prize, but based on a section which made the criminal intent of the offending persons an essential ingredient of their conviction and an essential ingredient of the forfeiture of the vessel. The libel, he asserted, was deficient in respect of allegations covering these points.

The Attorney General dwelt upon the necessity for a reversal of Judge Locke's ruling. When a vessel belonging to citizens of the United States committed hostilities upon the high seas against a friendly power her act was, *prima facie*, piratical. She was rendered forfeit, and her officers and crew were liable to be hanged. But, if the hostilities were performed in the interests of a "colony, district or people," then the act was freed from the imputation of piracy, and the prosecution, if any were had, would be made under a different and milder law.

MURDER TRIAL.

Edward C. Flanagan, Charged with Killing Two Women Near Decatur, Ga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, Feb. 15.—Edward C. Flanagan was put on trial in DeKalb county to-day for the murder of Mrs. Geo. W. Allen, Sr., and Miss Ruth Stack. The double murder occurred on the night of December 31 last. Flanagan boarded in the house of George W. Allen, near Decatur, Ga. Flanagan professed to be in love with Allen's 13-year-old daughter Lelia. For some reason he attempted to kill the entire Allen family. While the members were seated at the supper table he thrust an arm through a portiere and began firing on the group with a pistol. George W. Allen and his father were both seriously wounded. Allen's mother and Miss Stack, a relative of the family, were wounded mortally. Mrs. Geo. W. Allen seized the murderer and prevented him from shooting her daughter. Her husband regained consciousness and aided her in holding the murderer until neighbors came.

The defence is that Flanagan is a sexual pervert and was insane. He is represented by W. C. Glenn and Dan Rountree. The State is represented by Solicitor General Kimsey, Hal T. Lewis (who is a relative of the Stack family), W. L. Wright and W. W. Brazwell. Judge Jno. M. Candler is presiding. Colonel Glenn filed a plea declaring that Flanagan is insane now. He demanded an examination into the man's sanity. This was ordered, and the prisoner's two older brothers were called. These were W. W. and J. J. Flanagan, of Tennessee. These men testified that their mother was insane at times and did not know any of the member of her family. A sister died while insane, and they gave it as their opinion that the prisoner is not always sane. J. J. Flanagan was not very strong in his testimony. He stated that he had not seen much of his brother for years. W. Flanagan swore that his brother Edward visited him about ten years ago. On leaving Edward remarked that they might never meet again, and drawing a pistol pointed it at the head of the witness saying: "I would rather kill you than go away and never see you again." The witness thought this was an insane act.

The experts will be put on the stand to-morrow. If the jurors find the prisoner is sane now, his counsel will demand that he be tried as to his sanity when the crime was committed. The case will probably be a long one.

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CUBAN ADVICES.

Gen. Weyler Will Banish All Persons Who Speculate in Coin and Scrip—A Cuban to be Executed—A Frenchman Released.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, Feb. 15.—Captain General Weyler recently announced his intention of closing all the exchange booths and prohibiting the exchange of scrip for coin and also his determination to banish all persons found guilty of speculating in coin and scrip to the island of Fernando. P. O.

The official *Gazette* to-morrow will publish two decrees, the first of which provides for making compulsory the circulation of scrip at par with silver; for the trial of depreciators of paper money upon charges of being in league with the rebels, and for the sending of an order to the American Bank Note Company, of New York, for the printing of fractional currency, which order is to be immediately executed. The second decree provides regulations for the sale of lottery tickets.

Jose Gonzales Lasarada will be executed to-morrow for the crime of rebellion and sedition.

Honore Laine, a Frenchman, who was arrested some time since upon a political charge, has been released.

CHARLESTON BLOCKADERS.

The Entire Squadron Engage in Heavy Gun Practice.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., February 15.—The feature of the day in the blockading of the port of Charleston by Admiral Bunce's fleet consisted of some heavy gun practice by the entire squadron. Shortly after 1 o'clock the ships moved into their blockading positions and putting out floating targets at distances ranging from 400 to 1,000 yards, began to get their main batteries into action. The line of action was the same as that which the fleet has observed during other blockade work, the Massachusetts to the north and then the Maine, Amphitrite, New York, Indiana and Columbia running away to the southward at distances of three thousand yards apart. The targets used were the ordinary floating triangles of seven feet to the side. The practice began at 1.15 in the afternoon and continued without interruption until 3.30 p. m. The shooting was nearly all line shooting, and while the range of the targets was not gotten with accuracy, the practice was apparently successful.

WARM WIRELETS.

The general tone of the New York dry goods market is steadier. A fair amount of trading is reported in all departments. Prices, however, are without quotable change.

The great machine bolt trust has gone to the wall. It comprised all the leading machine bolt manufacturers in the country. The cause of the downfall of the trust was sharp competition, forced by the distrust and jealously of some of its members.

George Dixon, of Boston, and Jack Downey, of Brooklyn, fought twenty rounds to a draw at the Broadway Athletic Club last night. Downey put up the best fight that the colored champion ever had to meet, and, in the opinion of many, the Brooklynite had the best of the argument.

William P. StJohn, the former president of the Marcantile National Bank and one of the principal champions in the East of the cause of free silver, died at 8 o'clock Sunday night at his residence in New York of a complication of kidney and stomach troubles. St. John was born in Mobile, in 1847.

A special to the Richmond *Dispatch* from Bristol says Miller Ripley and his young wife, of Hawkins county, Tenn., commited suicide by drowning in the Holston river, after they had burned the residence of Harry Sutherland, a brother of Mrs. Ripley. They had been missing since Saturday. A note in Ripley's pocket requested that they be buried in the same coffin. There was ill feeling between Ripley and the Sutherland family.

The Beauties of Iceland.

Nothing can be more delightful than a horseback trip through Iceland. The traveler sees thousands of mountain covered with eternal snow, outrivaling the Alps in grandeur; great geysers and innumerable hot wells; waterfalls, one of which—the Gullfoss—is second only to Niagara in size and beauty; crystal streams and dashing rivers; lava beds of fantastic figures, covered with moss that glistens in the sun like hoar frost, and, as a crowning glory, the atmosphere is so brilliant that objects 80 miles distant appear close at hand.

Mexico's Army and Navy.

The regular army of Mexico comprises 27,000 men of all arms, including a police of about 2,000 men and a gendarmery of 250. The navy consists of two small unarmored vessels and three gunboats. The annual expenditure on account of the army and navy is from $12,500,000 to $15,000,000.

Plants the Color of Stones.

There are a few instances of protective mimicry in plants, though in general plants protect themselves by spines, hairs and poisonous secretions. The "Stone Mesembryanthemum" of the cape of Good Hope resembles the stones among which it grows and thus escapes the notice of wild herbivorous animals. Mr. Weale has also observed that many plants growing in the stony soil of the Karoo have their tubers so like the stones around them that when not in leaf one cannot be distinguished from the other.—London Globe.

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SPECIAL SALE OF TRUNKS.—I received one car-load yesterday, 28 inch Zinc Covered, with tray and bonnet box, nice pretty goods, at $1 45 each; 30 same $1 65, 32 $1 85; 34 $2 05; 36 $2.25 each. Beautiful Leather Covered Saratoga Finish, heavy brass locks, sheet iron bottom, extra clamps on corners and ends, size 30 for $2.35; 32 $2 50; 34 $2.75; 36 $4 00. Large Canvass Trunks for travelling purposes, 30 inches $2.25; 32 inches $2.50, up to 36 inches for $3.00.

Fine Leather Grips and Valises very low. Telescopes 14 inches long, 50c up to 28 inches for $1.40. If you need Packing Trunks of all sizes from 35c up to $1 00 each.

Gent's Shirts, big lot just received. A fine Laundered Percal Finish Shirt with Cuffs and Collars attached, at 33c each. Gent's fine Percal Shirts, worth 75c, now to run for 50c each. The best line Ladies' Undervests in the city for 25c.

A nice line of Black Ribbon in Taffeta, Gros Grain and Satteen, and all widths from 9 to 80, from 10 to 40c per yard.

Fine line of black Tips, beautiful goods for the price. Violets, Egretts, Flowers and Veiling.

Just received, one lot of 3,584 yards light weight goods. In white goods there is some beautiful styles for 10, 12½ and 15c per yard.

In Drapery Goods we have assorted line at 10c per yard for Lace Curtains. We have 10 pieces of Fine Dotted Swiss, 32 inches, lovely pattern, with beautiful border, at 15c per yard. One piece only Irish knotted Linen Scrim, 34 inches wide, worth 50c, our price 12½c, for bay windows and doors. We have large Dotted Swiss with different colored dots that is worth 50c per yard, our price 12½c.

200 yards of 30 patterns of Irish Linen Lawn worth at least 40c yer yard, our price 10c.

These prices seem absurd, but we bought these goods cheap in a job and we want to sell them. Do me the favor to give them a look.

Beautiful Brocade Satin for 10, 12½ and 15c per yard.

4,000 yards of Beautiful Spring Calicoes for 5c per yard. the very best goods.

I am at 113 North Front street, opposite The Orton Hotel.

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LACES AND GLOVES.

Will have special showing this week at

A. D. BROWN'S,

Successor to Brown & Roddick,

No. 29 North Front St.

A beautiful line of all Linen Napkins, extra value, at $1 per dosen.

Just ten dozen of the $1.25 Napkins left.

500 yards Unbleached Damask, 60 inches wide, at 50 cents per yard.

White as snow Damask Doylies. Special values at 85c, 50c, $1 25, $1.50 and $2 50 per dozen.

Have you seen that big Huck Towel for 15c each.

Huck Towel No. 602 at 90 cents is worth your inspection.

A beautiful double hemstitched Huck Towel at 25 cents each.

Bath Towels 25 and 35 cents.

Pure Irish Linen for Fancy Work.

The best $1 Kid Glove ever shown in the city o Wilmington for 75c a pair.

Silk Gloves 25 cents for only 15 cents.

The ladies are invited to examine the one minute Hair Curlers—bronze finished, strong, durable, tidy, last forever, quick, easy to apply, uniform, sure, neat, do not loosen, 25c per dozen.

A fine 75 cent Black Corset for 50c a pair.

We are still offering what we have left of those 50c Corsets at 35c a pair.

Nubia Rugs $1.50 each.

Japanese Jute Rugs, 3x6, only $1.25 each.

Japanese Jute Rugs—Sizes 9x12, 10x13-8, 12x15.

10 per cent. discount on all Woolen Underwear.

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Remnants of 10c Bleaching, 8½c.
Remnants of 7c Unbleaching, 6c.
Remnants of 10c Ribbons, 8.
Remnants of 15c Ribbons, 9c.
Remnants of 25c Ribbons, 14c.
Remnants of Dress Goods one-half regular price.
Remnants of Carpets, pretty styles, splendid for Rugs, less than cost.
Few Capes and Jackets, very low price.
Large spools Crochet Silk, 5c.

Job lot Spool Cotton, 1c.
Some new items in our Shoe Department.
Five hundred Children Suits just received, the latest styles. Prices from 8c to $4.50. Greatest values ever received.
Big stock of of Men and Boy's Sweaters, from 25c to $1.50, with large collars.
One hundred and twenty-five Scrivans' Canton Flannel Drawers, 39c.
Men's Heavy Pants, 50c and upwards.

Give us a call, it will pay you. Bell 'Phone 118. Inter-State 218.

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